(In lakh tonnes)

Year	Rice	Wheat
2001	265.04	357.97
2002	205.09	330.59
2003	56.59	164.13
2004	110.04	126.31

Review of BPL Families

†889. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the families living below the poverty line and Antyodaya Anna Yojana has been reviewed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) to (c) Under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), identification of families below the poverty line and Antyodaya Anna Yojana and issue of Ration Cards to them is the responsbility of the State Governments. The Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2001, provides for review of lists of BPL and Antyodaya families every year for the purpose of deletion of ineligible families and inclusion of eligible families.

Foodgrains and sugar to BPL families in U.P. and Uttaranchal

890. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons below the poverty line as on 30th November, 2004 living in Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal, separately;

(b) the number out of them who are being provided foodgrains and

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sugar under Targeted Public Distribution System and Antyodaya Anna Yojana separately, State-wise and category-wise; and

(c) the rates being charged for foodgrains and sugar, separately under each scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) and (B) Under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal have identified and issued ration cards to 106.79 lakh and 4.98 lakh BPL families including 32.42 lakh and 0.76 lakh AAY families respectively. The Government is making allocation of foodgrains @ 35 kg. per ration card per month and sugar @ 500 gm per person per month for Uttar Pradesh and 700 gm per person per month for Uttaranchal to all these families.

(c) The Central Issue Prices (CIP) of foodgrains and sugar supplied under TPDS are as under:—

(Figure in Rs. Per kg.)

Commodity	APL	BPL	AAY
Rice	8.30	5.65	3.00
Wheat	6.10	4.15	2.00
Sugar	Rs. 13.50 (APL, BPL and AAY)		

Transportation Cost of Food Subsidy

891. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the major components of food subsidy bill during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the transportation cost to and from the godowns of the F.C.I. constitutes the largest single item of food subsidy spent on the procurement and distribution of foodgrains; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken in this regard so that the full benefit of the subsidy may be passed on to the needy consumers?